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ASSTRACT: The author Closcov Aviation Institute) presents several striking and reliable UFO observations and relutes the theory of U. S. astrophysicist Henzel and others that until recently no scientific study of UFOs has been made in the Soviet Union. He claims that the prevaling view that UFOs has been made in the phenomena in the earth's accountage is wrong and due to the fact that there was no collection of UFO observations. The general impression was that flying saucers are fantasies. This situation is beginning to change.

In 1968 the News Publishing House of the USSR Academy of Sciences is scheduled to publish a book entitled Populated Outer Space, edited by Academician Boris Konstantinov, Vice President of the USSR Academy of Sciences, and written by distinguished Soviet and foreign contributors, including Americans.



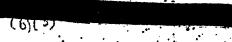
In May 1967 A sponsoring group of scientists, the military, writers, and public figures met to form an unofficial body whose purpose would be to conduct a preliminary scientific investigation of UTOs.

The organization, set up in October 1967, is called the UFO Section of the All-Union Commonautics Committee, with headquarters at the Central Bouse of Aviation and Commonautics in Moscow. Air Force Najor General Porfiri Stolyarov was elected chairman of the section.

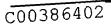
The bypothesis that UTOs originate in other worlds, that they are flying craft from planets other than earth, merits the most serious examination.

Observations show that UFOs behave "sensibly." In a group formation flight they maintain a pattern. They are most often spotted over airfields, attric stations, and other very new engineering installations. On encountering aircraft, they always canceuver so as to avoid direct contact. A considerable list of these seemingly intelligent actions gives the impression that UFOs are investigating, perhaps even reconnectaring.

Curiously enough, the number of UTO observations increases as Mars approaches the earth. Is this pure coincidence?



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people think that UTOs have appeared in the earth's stmosphere only during the past two decades. This is not the case. The UFO phenomenon has been observed throughout the history of mankind. There are medieval and ancient reports acritainely similar to ours. scrikingly similar to ours.

Among the earlier UFO reports, as an example, may be the vell-documented observa-tions of a "large saucer" in 1882 and a "procession of bolides" in 1913. These reports still avait investigation.

The most remarkable UFO phenomenon is the famous "Tungusky meteorita." In recent years Soviet scientists have established that the Tungusky explosion had every parameter of an atmospheric nuclear blast. The USER Loadery explosion and experts (Volume 172, Nos. 4 and 5, 1967) include studies by Alexet Zoletov which attempt to prove that the Tungusky body could not be a metaerite or a coust.

In the summer of 1967 the Joint Institute of Nuclear Research at Dubna published a study by Vladimir Hekhedov, who concludes that the Tungusky blast left considerable residual radioactivity. Finally, as recently as 1966, after analyzing the sum total of observations on the Tungusky body's flight, this writer showed that before the blast the Tungusky body described in the atmosphere a transmission of the sum total of the sum tot are of about 375 piles in extent (in azimuth), that is, carried out a maneuver.

rd of about 375 biles in extension that the Tungusky body exems an artificial flying craft from some other planet.

Should this be finally confirmed by investigations now in progress, the significance of the Tungusky disaster would be inestimable.

But this, incidentally, will pose new problems. If we are indeed being studied by creatures from other planets, what is their purpose? Why are they so studiously avoiding any direct contact? Is their unsociability the result of so high a level of development that they study us from that "height" just as we look upon and study ants? Or is there still the possibility of common understanding since we are born in the same Universe and obey the same laws of nature?

The study of UTOs may lead to quite different conclusions and present mankind with quite different problems.

The important thing now is for us to discard any preconceived notions about UTOs and to organize on a global acule a calm, sensation-free, and strictly scientific study of this strange phenomenon. The subject and aims of the invertigation are so serious that they justify any efforts. It goes without saying that incornational cooperation is vital.

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